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NEWSNOTES

Pre-retirement/Severance seminar scheduled

The second quarter Military Pre-Retirement/Severance Seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, June 23 through Friday, June 26, from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The location is the Timmermann Conference Center, on Pennsylvania Avenue and 8th Street, Soldiers, 1AW 600-8-7, who are within 120 days of retirement/terminal leave, are required to attend a Pre-Retirement Seminar. Contact Fay Marshall-Denise, retirement services officer, at (609) 562-2666, or via email at fay.marshalldenise@us.army.mil, for additional information.

Music, Soldiers highlight Independence Day festival

Fort Dix is welcoming home the New Jersey National Guard with a bigger-than-ever July Fourth Celebration! Doughboy Field will be the site for two days of family entertainment and fun. On July 3, enjoy performances by the Grammy nominated punk pop sensations, Plain White T's, Army Entertainment band "USA Express" and others.

Then on July 4, R&B artists Musiq Soulchild, Christette Michele and Trey Songz will prepare the audience for a phenomenal fireworks display.

Both days are free and open to the public.

Visit www.dixmwr.com for more information.

New hours for ID cards

The ID Card Facility hours of operations is changing effective June 15.

The Hemingway Visitor's Center new hours of operations: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., location: Bldg. 2270 Route 68; & ID Card Facility, Bldg. 5418 (Room 125) Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Monthly Saturday hours of operation for the remainder of fiscal year: July 11, Aug. 1, Sept. 12 with operating hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Post prepares for new commander

A change of command ceremony will take place on Doughboy Field at 10 a.m. on June 30 as Col. Ronald R. Thaxton passes the post command guidon to incoming commander Col. Patrick Slowey.

Vets' personnel records available online

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following website for veterans to gain access to their DD-214's online: <http://vetrecs.archives.gov/>

This may be particularly helpful when a veteran needs a copy of his or her DD-214 for employment purposes.

NPRC is working to make it easier for veterans with computers and internet access to obtain copies of documents from their military files. Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members may now use a new online military personnel records system to request documents.

Weather

FRIDAY -- Mostly cloudy skies. High around 80. Scattered thunderstorms overnight, with a low temperature of 66.

SATURDAY -- Thundershowers. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 60s.

SUNDAY -- Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 60s.

MONDAY -- Showers. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.

TUESDAY -- Partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Daytime high 79, with an



Jennifer Chupko

BIRTHDAY BASH -- Founded June 14, 1775, the U.S. Army celebrated its birthday this week. Fort Dix joined the celebration with a parade to Wurman Hall June 17, led by Marques Hicks and Emma Stone, above. Shelley Adler, wife of Congressman John Adler, was on hand to read to the children, and help Col. Ronald Thaxton, installation commander, cut the celebratory cake, below.

Army celebrates 234 years



Ryan Morton

Lisa Evans
Public Affairs Staff

New Jersey weather granted sunshine and a cool breeze June 17 as Fort Dix celebrated the Army's 234th birthday with a parade from the Child Development Center (CDC) to Wurman Hall.

"I feel very patriotic," said assistant teacher Megan Earley, a civilian worker with the CDC. "We made art projects during the week to wave during the parade."

Red, white and blue proudly wafted in the breeze as banners, stars, flags, and signs were waved by children. Nearly 200 children participated in this year's Army Birthday parade. Included were students from the Fort Dix Elementary School and Pemberton Township High School who joined children of School Aged Services (SAS), the CDC and Child and Youth Services (CYS), gracing the day's events with excitement and patriotism.

Senior Airmen Heather and Eric Zweiback, both Air Force personnel, watched from the sidelines as their children Alexis, 2, and Andrew, 3 were in the parade with the other children.

"I think this is really exciting and I'm happy to see

them involved in it," said Heather. "Because we are part of the military, it's nice to see our kids involved in military events."

Preparing to march, members of the Pemberton Township Hornets Marching Band warmed up with scales and bits of music that the students from the CDC lined up to as they took their places in the march. Teachers made sure everyone had their flags or decorations. Then, with the smallest children rolling along calmly in their multi-buggies seating five, appropriately red, white or blue, the parade was on, a flashing police car in the lead.

Peter Cino, a Pemberton Township High School band director said, "One of the students' mothers invited us and we were happy to oblige. Luckily our superintendent, Dr. Michael Gorman, gave us permission to miss a day of exams for this."

Aswa Walker, color girl for the band said, "I feel honored because I never did this before, so it's exciting."

Nearly speechless, Jascer Thompson, a tuba player said, "I'm excited. This is really cool."

With the Pemberton Township Hornets Marching Band leading the way, children and teachers marched

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Heroes' welcome for 50th IBCT Soldiers

Wayne Woolley
DMAVA Public Affairs

It was the day New Jersey said "Thank you" many thousands of times.

For the nearly 3,000 Soldiers of the New Jersey Army National Guard's 50th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, the thanks for successfully completing their mission in Iraq started with a parade through downtown Trenton June 12.

It turned into one of largest public celebrations in the state capital's history. Workers started pouring from office towers along the 1.1-mile parade route a full hour before the first members of the brigade marched past a viewing stand set up in front of the state's World War II Memorial on West State Street.

Some, like state Department of Labor employee Kerry Gatling, hoisted homemade signs overhead. Gatling's said simply: Thank you.

"The Soldiers deserve this kind of welcome," she said. "I'm proud of every single one of them."

As the Soldiers began lining up, Maj. Paul Rumberger looked up West State Street at the gathering crowd.

"Beyond amazing," said Rumberger, who served during the deployment as "mayor" of all of the forward operating bases in Baghdad's International Zone.

Although severe thunderstorms dropped buckets of rain early Friday morning, the ominous clouds began to break up in the minutes before the parade was to begin. By the time the brigade commander, Col. Steven Ferrari, stepped in front of Gov. Jon Corzine to begin the official pass in

review, the sun was shining.

"Oh happy day," Corzine said. "You are home and you are safe. From the bottom of everyone in the state's heart, welcome home. We couldn't be happier and more proud of you for all that you accomplished."

In Iraq, the brigade oversaw detainee operations and the security and management of Baghdad's International Zone.

Maj. Gen. Glenn K. Rieth, the adjutant general, said it was appropriate that the parade to honor the brigade that had completed the state's largest combat deployment since World War II stepped off in front of the state's new memorial to that conflict.

"The members of the 50th IBCT are part of America's next Greatest Generation," Rieth said.

The parade was only the first portion of the public outpouring of gratitude to the brigade. The second phase of the celebration was held at the end of the parade route in the Sovereign Bank Arena. This portion focused on the thousands of family members who were without a husband, or wife, or father or mother during the long deployment.

Inside the arena, music acts including American Idol finalist Melinda Doolittle and Sarah Dash, a Trenton native and former vocalist with Patti Labelle and The Blue Belles entertained the families while the Soldiers were on the parade route.

For more than two hours, the arena rocked with the cheers and shouts of the Soldiers and their families.

"Seeing our heroes home with our families is the greatest thing I've ever seen in this arena," said Trenton Mayor Doug Palmer.



Spc. Abraham Penden, 444th MPAD

WELCOME BACK -- The New Jersey Army National Guard closed its largest combat deployment since World War II -- the 2,900 Soldiers of the 50th Infantry Brigade Combat Team served 10 months in Iraq -- with a parade and celebration in downtown Trenton on June 12. The Soldiers marched from the New Jersey World War II Memorial to the Sovereign Bank Arena. Governor Jon Corzine greeted each company of the 50th IBCT, and presented a coin to Capt. Richard Colton, Jr., above, commander of the Headquarters Company.

Author details hunt for terrorists

CIA nemesis of Bin Laden to speak here

Steve Snyder
Public Affairs Staff

Among poster art that flourished in the 1960s was one urging viewers to "Join the Army. Travel to distant, exotic lands. Meet exciting and unusual people. And kill them."

Not everyone took umbrage at the heavy-handed, peacenik satire because it contained more than a kernel of truth. Teddy Roosevelt, for one, argued that "Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." And TR was neither a bleeding heart nor barbarian.

Gary Berntsen has traveled to distant, exotic lands and met exciting and unusual people during his 23 years of clandestine service with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). And his work has facilitated the killing of many terrorists who had slain unarmed Americans.

He tells his story in *Jawbreaker: The Attack on Bin Laden and Al Qaeda* (written with Ralph Pezzullo, Crown Publishers, hard cover, 328 pages, list price \$25.95), a sometimes heavily-edited account of his life and times in the CIA, especially the clandestine campaign (his team was called *Jawbreaker*) he led against Osama Bin Laden and Al Qaeda immediately following 9/11.

Fort Dix hosts the retired CIA agent as part of its Officer and NCO Professional Development agenda. Berntsen will speak on Monday, June 22, at the Timmermann Center auditorium beginning a 6 p.m. Topics discussed will include joint interagency counterterrorism operations, combat operations in Afghanistan and Pakistan and a strategic overview of Iran.

As revealed in his book, Berntsen's been there and done that. So anyone curious about counterterrorism campaigns con-



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SLOUCHING TOWARDS TORA BORA — CIA field commander Gary Berntsen chased Al-Qaada and its infamous leader, Osama bin Laden, across some of the world's most ancient mountains in Afghanistan before cornering him at Tora Bora, on map and at right, where the terrorist fanatic escaped, most probably into Pakistan. Berntsen described his experiences in a book, "*Jawbreaker*," which he'll explore in detail in a talk Monday, June 22, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Timmermann Center on Fort Dix.

ducted by the U.S. should be able to sate their intellectual appetite at Berntsen's appearance.

Clandestine information revealed in *Jawbreaker* include:

- Allegation that Berntsen's team of irregulars had Bin Laden in their sights but Gen. Tommy Franks and Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC) Commander Dell Dailey refused to deploy additional troops requested by *Jawbreaker's* leader to trap the terrorist kingpin at Tora Bora.

- Describes how a handful of CIA operatives, armed mainly with bags full of cash, managed to ally themselves with Afghan nationals in the Northern Alliance and, by coordinating military operations with U.S. Special Forces advisors and America's air power, route Al Qaeda's ally - the Taliban.

- Describes what it feels like

to be ferried in rickety helicopters over snow-capped peaks in Afghanistan, sitting by Gen. Frank's side while he conducts heated negotiations with Northern Alliance generals, incessant bargaining with treacherous Afghan warlords along with Taliban traitors, plotting to save hostages tabbed by terrorists to suffer gruesome deaths, calling in air strikes to dig out stubbornly-concealed enemies, and deploying an explosive mixture of Special Forces Teams, all designed to kill Bin Laden and as many of his henchmen as possible.

As a literary work, though, *Jawbreaker* is far from Shakespearean in scope.

Annoying lines blot out copy at strategic places (much excised material appearing to relate to methods employed by U.S. forces to organize the Eastern Alliance,

the coalition of Pashtun warlords who were used to attack Taliban forces scattered around the Pakistan border) and the author's admirably macho writing style turns strident on occasion, detracting from what otherwise comes across as an authentic, existential experience.

Berntsen served in the CIA's Directorate of Operations from October 1982 to June 2005. During that time he acted as a Station Chief on three separate occasions and led several counterterrorism deployments including one responding to the attack upon America's East Africa Embassy. He was awarded the Distinguished Intelligence Medal in 2000 and the Intelligence Star in 2004.

The clandestine warrior grew up in the shadow of New York City at Smithtown, Long Island, a blue collar suburb of the Big



file photo



inside dust cover of "*Jawbreaker*"

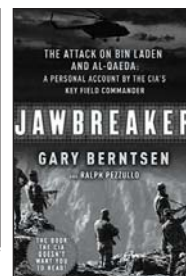
author Gary Berntsen former CIA operative

Apple. He spent four years as a Crash Firefighter in the U.S. Air Force before earning a commission in the Marine Corps and joining the CIA.

In July 2005 Berntsen took the CIA to court, charging them with violating his First Amendment rights and the Administrative Procedure Act by exceeding the allowed 30 days to approve his manuscript *Jawbreaker* for publication.

From June 2007 to June 2008, Berntsen returned to Afghanistan as a civilian advisor for the Regional Command East (RC-East). In November 2008, Berntsen published *Human Intelligence: Counterterrorism, and National Leadership: A Practical Guide* written as a manual for the incoming president and staff which contains highly specific policy prescriptions for prevailing over terrorists.

"Berntsen was the CIA's 'go to guy' when it came to leading in Afghanistan, owing to his exceptional operational and leadership skills in situations involving the threat of immediate danger. He is brave and bold and a true American hero," wrote one colleague. *Jawbreaker* tells why.



"*Jawbreaker*," by Gary Berntsen and Ralph Pezzullo, Crown Publishers, hard cover, 328 pages, list price \$25.95



Sgt. 1st Class Rick Scarvetta, USA

DOWNTURN — Navy Corpsman David Stanfield watches U.S. Army CH-47 Chinook helicopter descend into a landing zone to drop supplies for the Marines during Operation Celtic in 2005 in Afghanistan's Tora Bora mountains.

Remembering D-Day



watercolor by Navy combat artist Dwight Shepler, 1944, courtesy of U.S. Navy Art collection, Washington, D.C.

THE TOUGH BEACH — German artillery fire shells incoming U.S. forces on Omaha Beach on D-Day of the Normandy invasion on June 6, 1944. The USS LCI-93, in foreground, was sunk on this occasion. Omaha Beach became "bloody Omaha" for the American Army as 2,500 men from the 1st and 29th Infantry Divisions were killed or wounded by Germans dug in on the surrounding bluffs. But the GIs got through, prevailing over everything the enemy threw at them.

GIs stormed 'Atlantic Wall' 65 years ago

No American soldiers ever stood taller.

GIs (government issue) who invaded the northern coast of France on June 6, 1944 - 65 years ago - not only secured bloody beachheads but began to break a ruthless and barbaric enemy in the ensuing 77-day Battle of Normandy.

The campaign ran from June 6 until August 25 and was fought across a front extending about 60 miles. Two million Allied soldiers, including 1.2 million Americans, took on 740,000 heavily-entrenched German troops. Allied casualties totaled 206,703 (including 124,394 Americans) while the

Germans lost 240,000 and had an additional 210,000 taken prisoner.

The Allies prevailed, cracking the formidable "Atlantic Wall," a defensive perimeter devised by none other than the "Desert Fox," Field Marshal Erwin Rommel.

Victory in the Battle of Normandy enabled Allied forces to push into Germany and end the war. But nothing in combat ever comes easy. After fighting with bayonets, knives and grenades, members of the 82nd Airborne Division raised the Stars and Stripes at Ste. Mere Eglise on June 6. It was the first American flag to fly

on French soil during World War II. Of the 6,600 paratroopers who jumped into the town, 3,500 were missing at D-Day's end.

Two hundred and twenty-five men of the 2nd Ranger Brigade scaled 100-foot cliffs under withering fire from the enemy at Point du Hoc, suffering 40 casualties in the process. In days that followed, the brigade was reduced to 90 men. Lt. Col. James Earl Rudder, for one, was wounded twice but kept charging.

Today, visitors can still see many remains of Port Winston at Arromanches where two huge, artificial harbors were tugged over from England to help get

the invaders on shore. Caissons weighing 7,000 tons and 70 meters long helped move things along.

In addition to the carnage at Omaha Beach (see picture), Utah Beach was pounded by 293 bombers before VII Corps, led by Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt Jr., charged through the surf. The commander of the 4th Infantry Division died of a heart attack that July and was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor.

Heroes were common on D-Day, becoming second nature to members of what has been called America's greatest generation. —Steve Snyder

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Constance Shontz, 1945-2009

A longtime Housing Administrator for Civil Service at Fort Dix who moved to Property Book Officer shortly before her recent retirement, died Monday June 15 at the Samaritan Hospice Inpatient Facility at Virtua Hospital in Mount Holly.

Constance D. Shontz of Lumberton was 63 years old.

The daughter of the late Floyd and Julia Worrell, Shontz was born in Mount Holly.

There are no immediate survivors.

Installation Property Book Officer Donna Warren remembers her friend vividly and with the strongest affection.

"I met Connie back in 1970," Warren recalls. "[when] me, Connie, Barbara Worthy, Marion Painter and Marie Huddleston



Connie Shontz

were all keypunch operators in the Supply Division.

"Barbara and Connie transferred to the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) [and worked there] for many years before

eventually ending back at the Directorate of Logistics (DOL).

"Besides Barbara and Marion, there is not many of us left among those who started working at Dix in the late sixties. Steve Whitmore was here and would stop by the keypunch room once in awhile and talk with us and our supervisor, Thea Zepka.

"Zepka was a really tough supervisor. I was the youngest in our group, only 18 years old. We had a lot of fun back then even though we were extremely busy.

"Connie was always very outspoken and we always kept in touch over the years but Connie never changed.

"She came to work for me in the Installation Property Book in

April 2007 and she hadn't changed, still very outspoken and always telling us funny stories.

"Since I knew Connie for over 30 years, it really saddened me to see her so sick. But I'm glad she is not suffering anymore," concludes Warren.

Funeral services will be held today, June 19, at 11 a.m. at the Perinchief Chapels at 438 High Street in Mount Holly. Interment will follow at St. Andrews Graveyard in Mount Holly.

Friends may call today from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Team Dix salutes a loyal and beloved co-worker who gave so much to her job and for Fort Dix. Farewell.

LEGAL NOTICE

EPIC-8 LANDFILL, FORT DIX, NEW JERSEY NOTIFICATION OF THE COMPLETION OF THE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW

This public notice is to inform the community of the Army's completion of a five-year review of the EPIC-8 Landfill at Fort Dix in Burlington County, New Jersey. The purpose of the five-year review was to determine whether the selected remedy implemented for the site continues to be protective of human health and the environment. The five-year review concluded that the selected remedy was still protective. The next five-year review will take place in 2013.

The public is invited to examine the five-year review report for a 30-day comment period beginning in June 2009. A copy of the five-year review report will be available at the Pemberton Library, which is located at the following address:

Pemberton Library
16 Broadway
Browns Mills, NJ 08015

Further information and/or a copy of the report can be obtained by contacting Mr. Bill Lewendowski at the US Army Fort Dix Environmental Division, ATTN: IMNE-DIX-PWE, Building 5317, Fort Dix, New Jersey 08640-5501. Telephone: (609) 562-2203, Telefax:

(609) 562-5345, Email: william.lewendowski@us.army.mil. The completion date of the five-year review was May 2009, when it was signed by Fort Dix.

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For more information call
Denise Horton at 562-4011

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Police Log

Police Log is a weekly synopsis of significant police activities developed from reports, complaints, incidents or information received and actions taken, for the week of June 8 through June 14.

The abbreviation DoD stands for Department of Defense; NAFD means Not Affiliated with Fort Dix (the subject doesn't live or work here); NCIC stands for National Crime Information Center; DWI means Driving While Intoxicated; CDS means Controlled Drug Substance; POV means Privately Owned Vehicle; MAFB stands for McGuire Air Force Base; USAF EC stands for US Air Force Expeditionary Center; AHCC stands for Ambulatory Health Care Clinic (MAFB); VMHBC stands for Virtua Memorial Hospital of Burlington County; CP# stands for Checkpoint Number.

●Police responded to an incident in the Laurel Hill housing area. Investigation revealed a resident, an Airman assigned to McGuire AFB, and his spouse had a verbal altercation that did not escalate into violence. Investigation continues.

●Police and fire department personnel responded to an incident at the Visitor Center. Investigation revealed a vehicle, owned by a civilian NAFD, was leaking gas. The Fire Department cleaned up the leak and the vehicle was towed from the scene.

●Police responded to a report of an incident at Bldg. 5997. Investigation revealed a dog had been left unattended by the owner, a civilian NAFD, in a vehicle. The dog was released from the vehicle. The owner was located and briefed on laws regarding leaving animals unattended in vehicles.

●While processing a visitor, a civilian NAFD, at the Visitor Center police discovered the subject had a suspended driver's license. After determining the subject had driven to the installation, the subject was cited and the vehicle released to a licensed driver.

●Police responded to a report of larceny of private property in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed person(s) unknown had entered a quarters and taken property. Investigation continues.

●Police responded to a motor vehicle crash near Bldg. 5606. Investigation revealed a government vehicle, operated by a Soldier assigned to Fort Dix, struck another vehicle while parking. There were no reported injuries. Further investigation revealed the subject had a suspended driver's license and two outstanding warrants from Wood-Ridge NJ. Wood-Ridge was contacted and issued a new court date. The subject was cited and released to his chain of command.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a gas leak at Bldg. 5512. Investigation revealed there was no gas leak, but a back-up from the sewer system. A work order was placed.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5214. Investigation revealed a smoke detector had activated. A check of the building found all to be in order.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a burning odor at Bldg. 6501. Investigation revealed a lightning strike had caused some wiring to burn. A work order was placed.

●While conducting a routine credential check of a vehicle attempting to enter the installation via the Main Gate, police discovered the operator, a civilian NAFD, had a suspended driver's license. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

●While processing a visitor, a civilian NAFD, at the Visitor Center police discovered the subject had an outstanding warrant out of Robbinsville Township. The subject was transported to the police station for processing and transferred to the custody of Robbinsville Police.

●While processing a visitor, a civilian NAFD, at the Visitor Center police discovered the subject had an outstanding warrant out of Trenton. The subject was transported to the police station for processing and transferred to the custody of Trenton Police.

●Police responded to a motor vehicle crash at Broidy and Delaware. Investigation revealed that while vehicles were stopped at the stop sign, a vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, reversed to avoid a turning truck and struck the vehicle behind. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

●Police responded to a report of a suspicious device near a construction site on Range Rd. Investigation revealed the item was an expended smoke grenade.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5990. Investigation revealed the alarm was activated accidentally while cleaning.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5602. Investigation revealed no cause for the alarm.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5603. Investigation revealed a smoke detector had activated. A check of the building found all to be in order.

●While conducting a routine credential check at the Wrightstown Gate police discovered the vehicle operator, a civilian NAFD, had outstanding warrants from Pemberton and New Hanover. The subject was transported to the police station for processing and transferred to the custody of Pemberton Police.

●During a routine traffic stop on Cookstown Rd, police discovered the vehicle, operated by an Airman assigned to McGuire AFB, had expired registration. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5611. Investigation revealed no cause for the alarm.

●During a routine traffic stop on Juliustown Rd police discovered the vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, had expired registration. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

●Police responded to a report of larceny of private property in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed a bicycle, belonging to a Soldier assigned to Fort Dix, had been taken by person(s) unknown. The property was subsequently located in the housing area. Investigation continues.

●Police responded to a report of wrongful damage of private property in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed a vehicle, belonging to an Airman assigned to Fort Dix, had been vandalized by person(s) unknown. Investigation continues.

●While conducting a routine credential check of a vehicle attempting to enter the installation via the Main Gate, police discovered the vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, had expired registration. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

●Police responded when notified that unauthorized vehicles were operating in an unsafe manner in DTA #2. Investigation revealed three subjects, Airmen assigned to McGuire AFB, were operating two vehicles in the area without authorization, were driving erratically, and doing donuts. The subjects were transported to the police station for processing, cited, and released to their chain of command.

●There were three expired identification cards confiscated during the period.

●There were 18 Magistrate Court Citations issued for violations. DWI incidents remain at seven for the year.



During Fort Dix's celebration of the Army's 234th birthday, Shelley Adler, wife of Congressman John Adler, reads the Army story at Wurman Hall, above. At left, Col. Ronald Thaxton, installation commander, presents a commander's coin to Vincent Rosetti, a graduating senior at Pemberton High School and JROTC cadet, for receiving a 4-year, full-tuition paid scholarship to Jacksonville University Navy-Marine ROTC. The Pemberton Township High School marching band showed up to give a hand during the parade from CDC to Wurman Hall. Allison Lambert, below left, shows her Army spirit with a facial painting.

photos by Jennifer Chupko, Ryan Morton, Lisa Evans and Capt. Antonia Greene



Alexander Thompson, 4, shows his patriotism June 17 as he celebrates the 234th Army birthday during a parade to Wurman Hall.



Army celebrates 234 years —

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from the CDC to Wurman Hall where they settled in to hear the Army birthday story.

Capt. Randy Viray and daughter Carli watched from the sidelines because Carli wasn't feeling well.

"I think it's great that they have an annual parade and bring out the local high school marching band to support this. It helps bring the community together and shows support for our troops," said Viray.

Shelley Adler, Congressman John Adler's wife, read this year's book. Adler said, "It's a

beautiful day to celebrate the 234th birthday of the Army. I'm going to try to read upside down."

And she did, reading "Sam the Army Dog" about Susan, Jack and their dog Sammy. Their father is a Technical Sergeant and their mother works with Army children. The book tells how Sammy the dog is inspired to be like Susan and Jack's parents and help wounded warriors.

After reading the story, Adler said that she had a wonderful time.

"I was very happy to be invited and thrilled to be here," she

said. She and her husband are very happy to support the military because of all the things the military has done for New Jersey, she said.

Following the reading, senior members of the Pemberton Township High School JROTC were honored with coins.

Vincent Rossetti, a senior member of the Pemberton Township High School JROTC said, "The fact that this is the biggest Army Post on the East Coast and they're getting the community involved is great."

After all of her hard work to bring the parade off successfully,

when the cake had been cut and all of the coins given out, Linda Severs, CYS director, said, "Army kids serve too" is the motto of the CYS. This is a celebration of the families and the contributions they make so the service members are able to serve in the military wherever that may be. I'm so glad more kids could come."

The children from Fort Dix Elementary school were among the last to leave. Col. Ronald Thaxton, installation commander, took the time to speak with them, thanking them for coming and answering questions.



NEIGHBORHOOD

The Corner

Paperclips to hold Customer Appreciation Event

Paperclips will host a Customer Appreciation Event **June 25** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will feature free food and giveaways while providing an opportunity for customers to meet vendors and try new products. Paperclips is located at 3130 Supply Road.

Entrants sought for Army Arts and Crafts contest

Eligible participants are invited to enter their best 2-D and 3-D art works in the 2009 U.S. Army Arts & Crafts contest. Interested artists should call 562-5691 or visit the Arts and Crafts Center for rules and entry forms.

Youth Services offers parents a day off

The Fort Dix Youth Services is offering to "Give Parents A Break," one Friday night and one Saturday morning each month. Care is free for children of Soldiers in these categories: deployed, WTU, rear detachment, TCS orders, TDY and PCS unaccompanied military. Call 562-4702 or 562-2242 for dates.

Post-9/11 GI Bill briefing scheduled

Military members and dependents are invited to attend a Post-9/11 GI Bill briefing at Timmermann Center **July 21** at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Education Office advises waiting to apply for the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill until after attending one of these information sessions.

Field House hosts three hour aerobics marathon

The Super Summer Slim Down 3 Hour Aerobic Marathon will be held **June 20** at Griffith Field House. Sessions include Step, Gut Buster, Zumba and Yoga. There is an \$8 pre-registration or \$10 the day of the event. Call 562-4888 for more information.

Items available to rent at Outdoor Recreation

Add some fun to your family or community event this season by renting items from the Outdoor Recreation Equipment Resource Center. Baggos, three bouncy castles, and two sizes of table covers are available to rent. Canoes, boats, tents, tables, chairs, super cookers, mountain bikes and other equipment are also available to rent. Maximize your outdoor entertainment for not a lot of money. For more information call 562-6667.

Youth Services to hold car wash

The Fort Dix Child and Youth Services will be holding a free car wash **July 31** from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. In lieu of money they ask that a donation of canned goods be made to support the Ronald McDonald House and Army Community Services food banks.

Ultimate Warrior job fair coming to Fort Dix

Soldiers and spouses are invited to attend technical workshops and a career fair **July 29 and July 30** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Timmermann Center. More than 60 employers such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Internal Revenue Service, Lockheed Martin, CACI, Global Options, Inc., Homeland Security and the Secret Service will be on hand to recruit new employees. Workshops covering resume writing skills, veterans benefits, social security disability benefits, Tip of the Arrow, ACAP and Military One Source will also be held. For more information call Sgt. Maj. James Clark at (301) 674-9428 or Sgt. 1st Class Loranda Taylor at (609) 864-2565.

Delaware River tubing trip offered

Outdoor Recreation is going tubing down the Delaware River **June 27**. The trip ends with a barbecue. Call 562-2727 or 562-6667 to sign up.

Dix set to sparkle on Fourth Festival features music, fireworks

Jennifer McCarthy
Public Affairs Staff

Fort Dix will celebrate the nation's birthday and the return of the New Jersey National Guard 50th Infantry Brigade Combat Team with a two-day extravaganza featuring a spectacular fireworks display and award winning talent.

On July 3, USA Express, Diverse, De-phonics and Bruckup will share the stage with pop sensations, Plain White T's.

On July 4, soulful songstress Chrissette Michele will headline a show also featuring the talents of Musiq Soulchild and Trey Songz. Following the

concert, a dazzling fireworks display will light up the night.

The shows are free and open to the public.

On July 4, shuttle buses will provide transportation to the show for those not authorized access to the installation. Those visitors may arrive at any gate and will be directed to the shuttle bus parking lots.

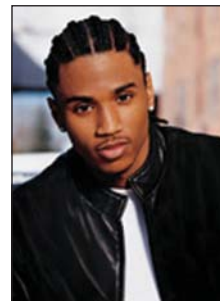
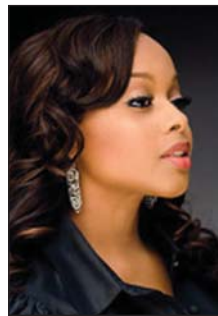
Anyone over the age of 12 must have a valid photo ID to gain access to the installation.

Food and beverages will be available to purchase.

Pet and coolers are not allowed but lawn chairs are welcomed.

The events kick off at 6 p.m. on Doughboy Field on both days.

For more information visit www.dixnmwr.com or call 562-5853.



courtesy photos

TRES COOL -- Trey Songz will perform at the 2009 Fort Dix Fourth of July Celebration on Doughboy Field, July 4. Also performing that night will be Chrissette Michele and Musiq Soulchild.

Grilling safety tips make summer safer

Outdoor cooking is very popular. In fact, 66 million Americans cook outdoors regularly, according to the Barbecue Industry Association.

You're probably one of those 66 million. Hopefully you will not be one of the people treated in emergency rooms for injuries related to charcoal, propane, and wood-burning grills this summer. As an outdoor cook, you need to avoid injuries by observing some safety precautions.

Before Cooking

● Instruct children on the dangers of a lit grill.

● Choose a safe grilling location away from children's play areas and areas of heavy traffic. The area should be well-ventilated to avoid the danger from carbon monoxide and other combustion byproducts.

Never grill inside or even in a semiclosed area such as a tent or camper. Always grill on a flat, stable platform.

● Make sure you're not wearing clothing that could contact the fire, such as hanging shirt-tails or dangling strings.

● Never leave a grill unattended.

Cooking With Propane (LP) Gas Grills

● Read owner's manual and operating instructions carefully.

● Use the exact type of tank and fuel specified.

● Check hoses and valve connections often. You can do this by pouring soapy water on the connection points. If bubbles appear retighten connections and test again.

● Transfer and store liquid propane cylinders in an upright position and never where temperatures can reach 125

degrees.

● Whether your grill lights by match or push button igniter, always follow the manufacturer's instructions.

Cooking With Charcoal Grills

● Never start a fire with gasoline.

● If using an electric fire starter, use an insulated indoor/ outdoor cord plugged into a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected outlet.

● Be sure the ground is dry and you're not standing in water when plugging the starter into an outlet.

● The starter will stay hot for several minutes after use, so place it out of reach of children and on a surface that will not burn.

● If using instant lighting briquettes: Spread them into a single layer, making sure they touch at the edges. Light several of them at their edges with a match.

● If using standard charcoal briquettes: Stack them in a pyramid to allow air to circulate around them, causing them to light faster. Apply lighter fluid before lighting; wait at least 1 minute before lighting to allow lighter fluid to soak in. Never add fluid to the coals once they've been lit.

● To control temperature: The coals are ready for cooking when they are grey in the daylight or glowing red at night. Spread them into a single layer with long-handled tongs.

Flare-Ups

Fat from your meat will drip onto the fire. The fire ignites the fat, causing flare-ups. The following tips can help prevent flare-ups.

● Grill low-fat meat.

● Trim excess fat from your meat.

● Place a drip pan beneath the meat.



HEY THERE DIX -- Musical guests USA Express, Bruckup, Diverse and the Plain White T's will perform July 3 as part of the two-day Fort Dix Fourth of July celebration held on Doughboy Field. On July 4 another concert featuring Chrissette Michele, Musiq Soulchild and Trey Songz will be held. Fireworks follow this concert. These free events kick off at 6 p.m. both nights and are open to the public. Shuttle buses will provide transportation only on July 4 to those without access to the installation. Valid photo IDs are required for everyone over 12-years old.

Maple tree planted in Thaxton's honor

Lisa Evans
Public Affairs Staff

The Fort Dix Main Chapel said thank you to Col. Ronald Thaxton by dedicating a Crimson King maple tree to him in a bittersweet ceremony June 16.

With cool breezes on a bright day, the tree stood proudly, its crimson leaves shining in the sun.

The tree is set where another tree had died, signifying both continuity and change, said Chap. (Col.) Thomas Brouillard, installation chaplain. A bronze plaque set at the base of the twenty-foot tree states: Dedicated to Col. Ronald R. Thaxton, U.S.A. Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Dix, 29 June 2007 - 30 June 2009. In gratitude for his outstanding support to the Fort Dix Chapel Program and unwavering commitment to the spiritual readiness of Soldiers and families, 16 June 2009.

During the ceremony, Brouillard explained why this tree was chosen. "A Crimson King maple was chosen, not only for its beauty, but for its symbolic values as well. Crimson is traditionally considered to be the color of blood, and thus associated with war, courage and martyrdom. This color symbolizes for us, the commander in garrison."

He went on, "The maple tree in particular signifies balance, promise and practicality. This tree symbolizes for us, the commander in garrison."

With many of the garrison directorates represented, Thaxton said he was pleased to be remembered with such a magnificent tree.

In response to Brouillard's remarks, Thaxton said, "I'm extremely proud of the honor given me. It was unexpected. It has never been about me, but about the good of the Army institution. Hopefully, the tree will symbolize the Soldiers and what they stand for on this installation."

After a pause, Thaxton added, "I don't know if this is going to be the tree of good and evil or the tree of life, but I am pleased to have it planted in my honor."

Brouillard said the tree was planted on the chapel grounds in appreciation for the personal support Thaxton had given the mission of the Chaplain Corps.

The tree symbolizes the transition Fort Dix is making from one phase of life to another, a phase Thaxton has managed well.

"Your tireless efforts to improve the Fort Dix infrastructure enhance the quality of life of Soldiers, civilians, and family members, and lead the difficult transition to joint basing, has had, and will continue to have, a positive impact on the future of those gathered here today," said Brouillard.

Brouillard regretted that he had not had longer to serve under Thaxton. He praised Thaxton's ability to lead, his skills in administering Fort Dix and his grace while serving.

"As we nurture this tree to full growth, we will remember you and we will pray for you," Brouillard promised. "And we hope that this small token of our gratitude will draw you and your loved ones back to this community of which you will always be a part."



Lisa Evans

GROWING APPRECIATION -- Chap. (Col.) Thomas Brouillard, installation chaplain, presents installation commander, Col. Ronald Thaxton a plaque commemorating the planting of a Crimson King maple tree in Thaxton's honor on the grounds of the Fort Dix Main Chapel, June 16. Thaxton was recognized for this outstanding support to the Fort Dix Chapel and his unwavering commitment to the spiritual readiness of Soldiers and families.



Ryan Morton

Troops honored for service

Capt. Sean Combs and 1st Sgt. Jeff Pels, Headquarters, Headquarters Company 50th Special Troops Battalion commander and first sergeant, above, display the American Heroes plaque given to their unit upon its return from a deployment to Iraq June 8. The unit, part of the New Jersey National Guard's 50th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, hails from Port Murray, N.J. On June 13, Capt. Tili Tyrell, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 11th Military Police Brigade from Ashley, Pa., and 1st Sgt. Sandre Pierontoni, the unit's first sergeant display American Heroes plaque their unit received in appreciation of their service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.



Pascual Flores

Military Police return from Iraq deployment

Ryan Morton
Public Affairs Staff

Soldiers from the 11th Military Police Brigade returned to a warm welcome from family members and friends after a nearly year-long deployment to Iraq supporting the On-going Contingency Operation (OCO) June 12. They gathered inside the Fort Dix Bravo Company auditorium with family and friends to celebrate a job well done.

Maj. Gen. Adolph McQueen,

commanding officer of the 200th Military Police Command, was also on hand for the revelries.

"This is a tribute to all the Soldiers and family members who allowed this to happen," said McQueen.

"You have defined duty by what you (Soldiers) have done. This is hard work and you have been successful. "You've done great work and now it's our time to take care of you," he said.

McQueen acknowledged and thanked the family members for their support of the warriors.

"These Soldiers could not have been successful without your phone calls, e-mails, and prayers. We're now going to turn these Soldiers back to an active duty role to take care of their families," he said.

The 11th MP Bde., from Ashley, Pa., performed detainee operations missions in Iraq at Camp Cropper and Camp Taji. Camp Cropper is known as the busiest detention facility in the world.

While there, they provided custody and care for individuals (continued on page 10)



Ryan Morton

Unit hangs banner in Infantry Park

Members of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 395th Combat Support Sustainment Battalion hang their unit's Yellow Banner at Infantry Park, June 15. Clipping on the flag are from left. Sgt. Charles Dailey, 1st Lt. Danielle Gordon, Lt. Col. Dennis Dockery, and Command Sgt. Maj. Gerry-Jay James. Dailey and Gordon are the first sergeant and commander of the company and Dockery and James are the commander and command sergeant major of the battalion. The unit, hailing from New Haven, Conn., have been on Fort Dix since early April preparing to deploy to Iraq in support of the On-going Contingency Operation.

Truckers come together as one at Dix

Wayne Cook
Public Affairs Staff

In preparation for an upcoming mission in Afghanistan, the 737th Medium Truck Company, Yakima, Wash., has undergone extensive training at Fort Dix. The company is tasked with the mission of supplying convoy operations security while in theater.

Although the unit is headquartered in Washington, more than 50 percent of its personnel come from other western states such as Utah, Montana, California, Colorado, and Idaho.

"We have Soldiers from all over the western states. They are motivated and energized. These troops have truly melded together into one integrated unit and I am proud to be able to lead them," said Capt. Timothy Stanfield, commander of the 737th.

The Soldiers of the 737th have been put through the paces of Army Warrior Battle Skills and Convoy Operations training while on the installation.

Sgt. 1st Class James Perez, a platoon leader in the company,

hails from Gig Harbor, Wash. Perez brings experience from two prior deployments.

"We're going to a whole new arena, a new mission, new tactics, and a new purpose. We're used to training in a different manner. This has been very repetitious. They make sure you understand what you're being taught. Over all, the training has been very good. As far as the unit goes, it is coming along a whole lot better than expected. It took only a couple of weeks before everyone started clicking together. Normally it takes a month or two," said Perez.

The training has been very beneficial to the younger Soldiers, according to Pfc. Sarah DeKoning whose home is in Ellensburg, Wash.

"It's a lot to take in. The closer we get to deploying, the more reality sets in. The training we are getting is very in-depth and I learned a lot more at Fort Dix than I learned anywhere else. We were taught new ways to perform a hasty recovery (hooking up the trucks to trailers without getting out of the vehicles). Urban operations were really interesting,

too. We did our main weapons qualification training in Washington, but some of us did second gunner training here," DeKoning said.

"I feel very prepared for the mission ahead. I believe, in our unit, as well as our platoon, there is a lot of cohesion with all members," she said.

Cpl. Ramon Diaz is one of the Soldiers from another state. The seven-year veteran hails from Monterey, Calif. This is his second deployment - his first was to Iraq in 2003 to 2004.

"I think this is a pretty good experience. I think everyone in the unit has responded pretty well to the integration of other personnel. The training here has been very in-depth. We are adapting to the changes according to the most up-to-date information out of Afghanistan. For me, the convoy operations have been great. The weapons firing from the vehicles on the move is very realistic and has been challenging. You get to know what it will feel like in theater. Overall, my experience with the unit has been very good. The unit is meshing together as a family and



Wayne Cook

ALWAYS ALERT -- A Soldier from the 737th Medium Truck Company, Yakima, Wash., scans the sides of the road for possible insurgent activity during convoy operations training on Fort Dix June 12. The unit is training for a convoy security mission in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

that is what you need overseas," said Diaz.

The men and women of the 737th are proving themselves

ready to take on a different mission with a rag-tag unit and face history, and the enemy, squarely in the face.

"This unit has never lost a Soldier and I am making it my business to continue that legacy," said Stanfield.

Airmen gain appreciation for Army training



Wayne Cook

SPOT ON -- Air Force Master Sgt. Leslie Bina, right, checks her compass heading and points the direction to their next destination as Air Force Master Sgt. Jocelyn Broussard looks on and verifies the heading June 16.

Wayne Cook
Public Affairs Staff

More than 100 United States Airmen from all over the globe converged at Fort Dix in May to go through pre-deployment training provided by the 72nd Field Artillery Brigade.

The class - primarily made up of active duty members with a few National Guardsmen - combined Airmen representing multiple job skills from dozens of different home stations including bases in Hawaii, Germany and England.

"With such a diversity of Airmen coming from all over the world, I was pretty amazed at how quickly we all came together," said class leader, Air Force Lt. Col. Lisa Hansen, Mountain

Home Air Force Base, Idaho.

The Airmen underwent training in the normal deployment tasks such as weapons qualification, combat life saver, convoy operations, urban warfare, and land navigation.

Having experienced a little of the Army's lifestyle has changed the mindset and appreciation level that a lot of the Airmen have for Soldiers.

"The training we have experienced seemed to really build the confidence of the troops. I gained a real appreciation for the Army and their mission. The quality of the instructors has been very professional and proficient at what they do," said Hansen.

"I've enjoyed the training and I learned a lot. My shooting has improved immensely. The

HMMWV Egress Assistance Trainer (HEAT) was very realistic. I learned how to handle roll-over. I believe the training I have received here has been very beneficial to me, especially because I hadn't received much training prior to coming here. I feel better prepared for my mission now. The trainers were incredible; they broke down the information and made sure we all understood it," said Airman 1st Class Ashley Jackson, supply specialist, Barksdale, La.

The Combat Life Saver (CLS) Course seemed to be a favorite with nearly all the Airmen.

Air Force Master Sgt. Leslie Bina, intelligence specialist, Hickam A.F.B., Hawaii, stated that the highlights of the training for her were the CLS and urban warfare courses.

"CLS is like Self-Aid Buddy Care on steroids. I feel better prepared for my upcoming deployment. I've gained a greater appreciation for Soldiers," Bina said.

Air Force Capt. Elliot Nelson, F-15 pilot, Laughlin A.F.B., Texas, has been trained extensively for air combat. Being assigned to a duty position in the Green Zone in Baghdad has taken him out of his normal comfort zone.

"I found the training overall to be profitable. I find myself better prepared leaving Fort Dix than when I arrived. The camaraderie amongst the Airmen has been great and the CLS course was a highlight for me. My family has been very supportive of me, especially through their prayers," Nelson said.

SPORTS

AT&T National tickets available

Tim Hipps
MWRC Public Affairs

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Free tickets are available for active duty and retired Servicemembers, DoD Civilians and their Families to attend one day of the AT&T National PGA Tour event June 28 through July 5 at Congressional Country Club in Bethesda, Md.

The Army's ITT/ITR Office at the Pentagon will be distributing most of the 30,000 complimentary tickets donated by the Tiger Woods Foundation.

Tickets also will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis at designated ITT/ITR offices within a 100-mile radius of Washington.

The military tickets, limited

to four per person, are good for any one day of the tournament. All tickets must be picked up at an ITT/ITR office. None will be mailed.

Woods posted this invitation letter to members of the Department of Defense on the AT&T National's Web site:

Dear Honored Military Guest, On behalf of the Tiger Woods Foundation, I'd like to welcome you to the AT&T National.

We are proud and honored to welcome our Nation's military to watch the world's best players compete on the beautiful, challenging greens of Congressional Country Club in Bethesda, Maryland.

In celebration of your service, we extend our heartfelt appreciation and support of the many sacrifices you make every day. It is

because of your courage and bravery that Americans enjoy their freedom.

We are privileged to host you the week of June 28 - July 5, 2009 at the AT&T National.

Sincerely, Tiger Woods
Lockheed Martin's Military Pavilion, located near the fourth tee, will provide snacks, beverages and a prime viewing area for military ticket holders Tuesday through Sunday of the tournament week.

All spectators are welcome to visit the USO Care Package Tent, which will sit adjacent to the Lockheed Martin Pavilion, to help assemble care packages for deployed troops.

For more information, visit www.armymwr.com or e-mail questions to militarytickets@attnational.org.



COMING BACK -- Tiger Woods, seen here during the 2007 AT&T National, will return to Washington and make taking care of military Families one of his top priorities during the 2009 AT&T National hosted by Tiger Woods. The Tiger Woods Foundation donated 30,000 tickets for the PGA Tour event to active duty and retired Servicemembers, DoD Civilians and their Families. Lockheed Martin's Military Pavilion will provide snacks, beverages, and a prime viewing area for military ticket holders.

Tim Hipps



Summer 2009 Mini-Clinic Schedule

SPORTS CLINICS COST \$35.00 PER CHILD

	
Week of 6 July 1030-1230 - Flag Football for 6 years old and up 1500-1700 - Baseball/Softball for 6 years old and up	
Week of 13 July 1030-1230 - Start Smart Baseball Program for 3-5 year olds 1500-1700 - Start Smart Soccer Program for 3-5 year olds	
	
Week of 20 July 1030-1230 - Volleyball for 6 years old and up 1500-1700 - Baseball/Softball for 6 years old and up	
Week of 27 July 1030-1230 - Start Smart Football Program for 3-5 year olds 1500-1700 - Start Smart Baseball Program for 3-5 year olds	
	
Week of 3 August 1030-1230 - Baseball/Softball for 6 years old and up 1500-1700 - Soccer for 6 years old and up	
Week of 10 August 1030-1230 - Start Smart Soccer Program for 3-5 year olds 1500-1700 - Start Smart Volleyball for 8 years old and up	
	
Week of 17 August 1030-1230 - Basketball for 6 years old and up 1500-1700 - Volleyball for 8 years old and up	
Week of 24 August 1030-1230 - Soccer for 6 years old and up 1500-1700 - Flag Football for 6 years old and up	

**Parents must be present and actively participate in all Start Smart Programs that are offered.*

For Program Registration or Information, please contact:
Central Enrollment: Bldg. 5203 Maryland Ave. Fort Dix
Ph: (609) 562-4702/5231; Website: www.dixmwr.com



YOUTH SPORTS SUMMER CO-ED BASKETBALL TEAM

Practices begin the week
of 22 June. Games begin
the week of 6 July
Coaches are Needed!

Ft. Dix Youth Sports is recruiting kids ages 11-17 for their Summer Evening Co-Ed Basketball League. Leagues will practice at Ft. Dix and games will be played at Ft. Monmouth. Parents are required to transport children to and from practice and games.

Youth must be registered with CYS Central Enrollment Registry in order to participate. **Registration fee is \$50.**





For More Information or to Register call:

Child & Youth Services (CYS) at
Bldg. 5203 Maryland Ave; Ft. Dix, NJ
Ph: (609) 562-4702/5231

OR
Youth Sports at
Bldg. 6052 Pennsylvania Ave; Ft. Dix, NJ
Ph: (609) 562-2819
Website: www.dixmwr.com

Germ Farm



Scrub'em!

Military Police Return

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who may potentially pose a threat to Iraqi security and processed more than 10,000 detainees throughout their time in theater.

The 11th Bde. also managed educational and vocational pro-

grams for detainees to provide them with alternatives to rejoining the insurgency upon their release.

Brig. Gen. Robert Kenyon, 11th MP Bde. commander, also spoke to the Soldiers and family members.

"It's been a great pleasure serving with your loved ones. I certainly appreciate all the great things the family members and employees have done to support these Soldiers," said Kenyon.

"This is a well-trained group. Thank you for the sacrifices you

made and God bless you. We're all glad to be home," he said.

Following the commanders' remarks, each Soldier received commemorative flags and Army coins for a job well done and a thank you for their participation in the OCO.

Course sparks Soldiers' career



Jennifer Chupko

LIGHTING THE WAY -- Pfc. Todd Lucas, 115th Army Corps of Engineer fastens wires to a outlet during the interior electrician MOS course June 15.

Jennifer Chupko
Public Affairs Staff

The Military Occupation Specialties 21R, interior electrician, can open the doors to a new career as a civilian or enhance the skills of those Soldiers that may already practice this type of work.

Interior electricians install and maintain interior electrical system up to 600 volts. The electricians are trained to read and interpret drawings, plans, specifications and install service panels, switches and electrical boxes.

Soldiers training in the MOS learn basic interior electrician skills, and receive on-the-job instruction, which includes repairing electrical wiring systems on the installation.

"There are many ways electricians provide great service," said Sgt. 1st

Class Dale Light, 102 Div. Electrical inspector and instructor. "There isn't any working Army base that would run without electricity."

After completing the course, Soldiers know how to install metallic and non-metallic sheathed cable, conduit and special electrical equipment, and how to test operational condition of circuits. They take these skills and use them to support humanitarian missions overseas.

The training the Soldiers receive can open doors to a civilian career as an electrician, while some use the skills they already have as civilian electricians to protect installations as Soldiers with a the MOS course.

"Some of these guys are already interested in pursuing a career as a self-employed electrical contractor if they aren't already," said Light.



Ryan Morton

HEROES WELCOME -- Maj. Gen. Adolph McQueen, commander, 200th MP Command hands an American flag to Capt. Jessica Blount, 11th MP Bde., during a welcome home ceremony for the Soldiers June 12. Each Soldier from the Pennsylvania unit received a commemorative flag and coin to recognize his or her support in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Announcements

<p><u>ACS</u> 562-2767 Bldg. 5201 Maryland Avenue <u>Calendar of Events</u> <u>Monday, June 22</u> 1-2-3 Magic: Effective Discipline Strategies 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ACS <u>Tuesday, June 23</u> Hearts Apart 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. ACS Stress Management 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. SFAC Basic Training for Small Business 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. ACS <u>Wednesday, June 24</u> Get It Together: Organizing your Financial Records 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. SFAC Investing Basics: 10 Steps for Beginners 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. ACS <u>Thursday, June 25</u> Time Management 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. ACS <u>Friday, June 26</u> International Spouse Group 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. ACS <u>FMWR presents</u> CLUB DIX 723-3272 <u>Club Dix Hours of Operation</u> Java Café Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Smokehouse Restaurant Lunch Served Tuesday through Friday 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday through Monday Closed Blue Room Wednesday 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday through Saturday 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Tuesday Closed Computer Lab Monday and Tuesday 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday Noon to 10 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Outdoor Equipment Rental Center Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. <u>Coming Events</u> 4th of July Celebration coming Fort Dix is Welcoming Home the New Jersey National Guard.</p>	<p><u>Chapel Services</u> Fort Dix 562-2020 <u>Sunday Services</u> Protestant (Traditional) 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Catholic 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Gospel 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Jewish Prayer Room Room 27 Chapel 5 Bldg. 5950 Church Street If Chapel is closed call 562-3311 to schedule a time for prayer Protestant, Catholic, Latter Day Saints Sunday, 7:30 a.m. Islamic Prayer Room Monday through Friday COL - Chaplain's tent 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. <u>Religious Activities</u> Protestant Men of the Chapel Prayer Breakfast - Fourth Sat- urday of each month 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Protestant Women of the Chapel - Meets every Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Fort Dix Main Chapel and the fourth Tuesday at Buttonwood Hospital. <u>Vacation Bible School</u> July 13 through 17 9 a.m. to Noon Call 562-2020 for information <u>McGuire Chapel</u> 754-4673 <u>Sunday Services</u> Contemporary 9:45 a.m. Chapel 2 Gospel 11:15 a.m. Chapel 1</p>	<p><u>Youth Center</u> 562-5061 Bldg. 1279 Locust Street <u>Hours of Operation</u> Monday through Friday 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Closed Sunday <u>Administrative Hours</u> Tuesday through Friday Noon to 6 p.m. <u>Monday, June 22</u> Power Hour 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Computer Lab 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. <u>Tuesday, June 23</u> Last day of school for Pemberton Youth Sports Schools's out BBQ 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. <u>Wednesday, June 24</u> Program Closed Summer transition day for staff <u>Thursday, June 25</u> Middle School Summer Camp begins 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Open Rec. 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. <u>Friday June 26</u> Middle School Summer Camp 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Open Rec 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Swimming 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Free for campers- \$1 for Open Rec.) <u>Saturday, June 27</u> Movie Day 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.</p>	<p><u>Arts & Crafts</u> Bldg. 6039 562-5691 <u>Registration Hours:</u> Tuesday 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday Noon to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Friday 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Hearts Apart Come in and paint a heart for the service member close to your heart. Free. Krafty Birthdays Arts & Crafts offers Krafty Birthday Parties. Parties include up to two hours of party room use and one craft project with instruction and all materials, with many exciting projects to choose from. Select the craft and make a down payment. Contemporary Ceramics & Mosaic Studio The Contemporary Ceramics Studio offers a large selection of bisque pieces to choose from and paint.</p>	<p><u>Griffith Field House</u> Bldg. 6053 562-4888 <u>Monday, Wednesday, Friday</u> Combat Fitness Challenge Military Only 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. <u>Monday</u> Mind & Body Yoga Noon to 12:45 p.m. Total Toning 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Gut Buster! 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. <u>Tuesday</u> Step and Sculpt Noon to 12:45 p.m. Pilates Fusion 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Mind & Body Yoga 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. <u>Wednesday</u> 30/30 Noon to 1 p.m. Mind & Body Yoga 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Circuit Training 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. <u>Thursday</u> Retirees in Motion 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Turbo Kick Noon to 12:45 p.m. Zumba 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. <u>Friday</u> Spin-It! Noon to 12:45 p.m. Step Fusion 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Saturday Cardio Muscle 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. <u>United</u> <u>Communities</u> Self Help Office Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Saturday and Sunday 724-0550 For information on events, con- tact Amber Stadler at 723-4290 <u>Events and Information</u> Flower Vouchers United Communities is no longer giving out flower vouch- ers. Pick up your from Byrne's farm by Saturday, June 27. The vouchers will no longer be hon- ored after this date. Open House Saturday, June 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call for more details at 723-4290.</p>
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